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What Is Going On Tonight.

Ancient Order United Workmen, Willimantic lodge, No. 11, meets at 140 Valley street.
Knights of Columbus, San Jose council, No. 14, meets at 731 Main street.
Royal Arcanum, Willimantic council, No. 724, meets at 731 Main street.
Olive Branch council, No. 10, R. and S. M. meets in Masonic hall.

Colby Kennerson, about 50 years of age, a resident of Willimantic, died suddenly Monday evening about 7 o'clock. Mr. Kennerson was unloading hay into the barn situated in the rear of the home of Frank R. Jackson at the corner of Summit and North streets. Mr. Jackson had recently purchased the hay of W. G. Holman of Ash street, and Kennerson had been hired to deliver it to the home of the purchaser. Kennerson was pitching the hay into the barn and Stanley Sumner, a grandson of Mr. Jackson, was taking it away from the door. About 5:30 p. m. Mr. Jackson appeared at his home for supper but before going in to the house stopped at the barn to see how things were going. In the course of a short conversation with Mr. Jackson, Kennerson said in a joking sort of way, "Take off that white collar and come up here and give us a lift." At that point Mr. Jackson went into the house for his supper. Kennerson continued with his work but in a few minutes complained to young Sumner of feeling hot and faint. The boy changed jobs with him, thinking the work inside would be easier. The hay was about half unloaded at this time. In a short time Kennerson appeared at the door as though for fresh air and in a moment reeled and fell from the door onto the load of hay. Sumner catching hold of him as he fell, Mr. Jackson came out of his house and by the time he reached the spot, the stricken man was unconscious and, after gasping two or three times, expired. Medical Examiner P. C. Wilcox was notified, and went to Jackson's place.

Mr. Kennerson was a teamster by occupation and had resided in Willimantic for many years, being the trucking for Stiles & Harrington for a long time. His home was on Ash street. He was the father of a daughter, Mrs. George Matthews, also of Ash street.

The attendance at the mass meeting held in the Town hall Monday night was not as large as had been hoped for. Nevertheless, the meeting proved to be most interesting and of much value to those present who are interested in the subject of Victory gardens and the growing of flower gardens, window boxes and lawns. The meeting was held under the auspices of the city industrial department of the Y. M. C. A. Professors A. T. Stevens and A. L. Fraser of State Agricultural College were present and addressed the meeting, both speakers being introduced by Secretary J. C. Elmdorff of the Y. M. C. A. Professor Stevens spoke on the subject of Gardens and gave an illustrated talk on the start-up, development and growth of a successful home or Victory garden. Many valuable suggestions were made and plans given in his talk. The speaker is well qualified to talk on the subject. He was followed by Professor Fraser who spoke on flowers and lawns, giving much detailed information on the care of them and their development. Both talks were accompanied by stereoscopic views of the various subjects talked upon. The meeting was most instructive and it was quite a disappointment that more were not present.

At the close of the weekly meeting Monday night of the Y. M. C. A. Lodge, No. 23, Knights of Pythias, about fifty members gathered in a room in the home of Isaac

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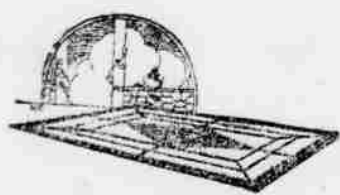
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person on High street for the purpose of extending their congratulations and best wishes Monday being Mr. Sanderson's birthday. Mr. Sanderson is an (1) and highly respected citizen of Willimantic and one of the oldest members of Natchaug Lodge, No. 22.

Mrs. Patrick J. Lee of 72 Chapman street recently received a letter from her son, James J. Lee, in which he states that he has received a commission as second lieutenant in the Reserve Corps. Lieut. Lee was originally a member of Company L, 102nd Infantry and was transferred to K company of the same regiment just before the regiment went overseas last September. He also stated in his letter that he hoped to be on his way home at an early date, but that many of the men who received commissions may be obliged to stay over there for another six months.

An automobile collision, in which no one was injured, occurred Monday noon at the corner of Walnut and Valley streets. A Ford truck owned and driven by A. I. Sussman and a touring car owned by Merrill H. Jones and driven by Alfred Nichols figured in the accident. The truck was turned completely around by the collision, but barring a bent mudguard and a few broken spokes, there was no special damage.

Former Chief of Police Edgar H. Richmond of the city of Willimantic, became involved Sunday evening in an altercation with a man on Railroad street, and the fact seemed to be the chief topic of conversation on the streets in Willimantic Monday. It was said the man's name was George who was employed as a cotton weaver in one of the mills in this city a few years ago. There were many rumors on the street Monday in regard to the affair and one story had it that the weaver spoke to the ex-chief and as Mr. Richmond did not reply, the man called him an insulting name, which naturally aroused the ire of the latter. Whereupon, it is said, Mr. Richmond struck at the weaver and the latter retaliated by grabbing Mr. Richmond about the legs and throwing him heavily to the ground. A struggle followed until two soldiers stepped in and separated the men. This operation had to be repeated again whereupon the weaver went up the railroad tracks and Mr. Richmond stepped into a news store of ex-Mayor Daniel P. Dunn and secured a brush to dust off his clothes.

The civil suit of Andrievio Sebastian against "Frank W. Posterski," which was to have been tried before Justice of the Peace P. J. Danahy on Saturday morning at nine o'clock, was postponed on account of the case being asked for by the defendant and granted. The suit arises from a dispute over a trade in cows by the two men.

Arthur D. Washburn of 854 Main street received a telegram late Saturday night containing the news of the death of his son, Private Claude O. Washburn, March 30th, bronchial pneumonia being given as the cause of death. It was a great blow to the father as he had been for some time daily anticipating the news of the arrival of his son in this country from overseas. Claude O. Washburn embarked for overseas last May and saw much active service and some very severe fighting but had come through without a scratch although once he

was slightly gassed. He was connected with the Signal Engineer corps, 23rd Division, 11th Headquarters. Private Washburn had many friends who deeply regret his death.

At the meeting of Natchaug lodge, Knights of Pythias, No. 22, Monday night, another large class of candidates was given the second degree.

Mrs. Levis Walker, formerly of Willimantic, figures prominently in the matrimonial ventures of Burton M. McLane, who was arrested in Burlington, Vt., last week and was taken to Baltimore and lodged in jail. McLane on his own confession is what might be termed a widow of fortune hunter. As regards Mrs. Walker it was mostly fortune he was looking for as the charge against him is fleecing Mrs. Walker out of \$2400 in money, and jewelry to the value of \$900. Announcement of their marriage was made about a year ago and Mrs. Walker thought for sometime she was legally married to McLane, but it is now stated that the marriage was bogus.

Mrs. Walker is the widow of George P. Walker, formerly of Willimantic, who died very suddenly in this city January 2, 1917. Mrs. Walker met McLane in Norwich a year or so afterward, while employed in a munitions factory in that city and their courtship was very brief. McLane posed as the son of a wealthy and prominent southerner, and in due time, after the fake marriage, induced Mrs. Walker to let him have her money and jewels as stated to purchase a home near Baltimore. The home was never bought nor did McLane return to her after his departure. He was followed by a detective from Baltimore, McLane is stated, was about to marry another widow whom he apprehended and has one or two more similar cases against him.

It is also stated that McLane will be charged with violation of the Mann White Slave act.

Men in the employ of the water department started Monday morning making the annual spring inspection and testing of the hydrants throughout the city.

Robert J. Galligan is in a wick (today) Tuesday attending the funeral of his father, John Galligan, who died in this city Sunday evening.

Nothing more than routine business was transacted at the April meeting of the board of selectmen on Monday.

William Robarge of Mountain street, has been informed that his son Thomas Robarge, recently underwent an operation for appendicitis and is in a serious condition.

Dad's reports of soldiers returning to Willimantic and vicinity are getting more frequent and now that the 102nd Infantry has finally reached Boston, a large majority of those from this section who served in the world war no doubt will put in an appearance within a few days.

Private Theophile Houle, of 59 Brook street, was recently discharged at Camp Upton, Long Island, and is now at his home in this city. Private Houle was a member of Company L, 325th Infantry and saw nearly a year's service on the battlefields of France. He spent three months in a hospital the result of being gassed and after recovering was assigned to special duty. He arrived in this country on March 23rd.

Hermias Cloutier of Willimantic sent word to friends here Monday, announcing his arrival from overseas as being located for the present at Camp Mills. He expects to receive his discharge within a few days. Private Cloutier was a member of the 159th U. S. Infantry.

Sergeant Charles A. Reynolds, of Eagleville, stopped in town for a short time Saturday night, while on his way to his home. Sergeant Reynolds was a member of the 102nd Infantry and had many interesting experiences during his career as a soldier over there. At the time of the armistice was signed he was studying in an officers' training school, but the signing of the armistice put an end to further studies for commissions.

Henry Dorcus pleaded guilty to the charge of intoxication before the police court, before Judge P. H. Foss Monday morning. A fine of \$1 and costs, amounting to \$2.50 was ordered and Dorcus paid. Peter Czar pleaded guilty to the same charge and was fined \$1 and costs, amounting to \$1.50, which was paid.

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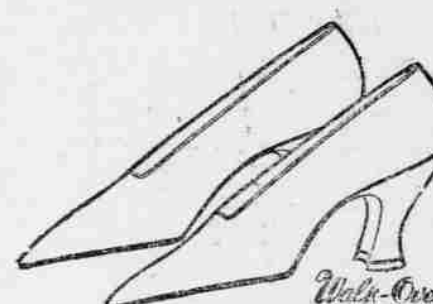
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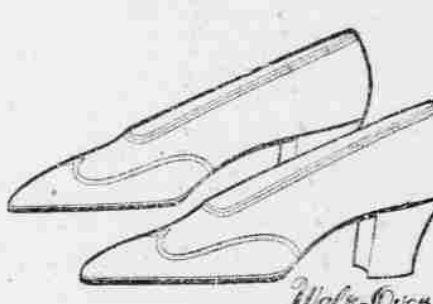
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college to invite every senior and sophomore student from every high school in Connecticut for a High School day to be held the fore part of May. On the arrival of the students in Willimantic, they will form part of the guests of the college, their transportation and accommodations to be taken care of by the college.

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